#### SUPERIOR COURT OF ARIZONA \*\*\* FILED \*\*\* MARICOPA COUNTY 10/09/2002

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CR 2001-005401

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STATE OF ARIZONA NOEL J R LEVY

v.

DENNIS C JONES PETER JAMES LITTLE

VICTIM SERVICES DIV-CA-CCC

#### TRIAL MINUTE ENTRY DAY 1

State's Attorney: Noel J. R. Levy
Defendant's Attorney: Dennis C. Jones

Present Defendant: Court Reporter: Rick Gaio

11:37 a.m. This is the time set for trial to a jury.

The jury is not present.

The Court advises counsel that 69 jurors have been sent to the courtroom. The jurors have been prescreened for length of trial only.

The Court advises counsel that juror #47 is absent. The Court further advises counsel that juror #39 now has a conflict with the length of trial.

11:39 a.m. The prospective jury panel is now present.

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Voir dire examination commences.

11:59 a.m. Court stands at recess.

 $1:32 \ \text{p.m.}$  Court reconvenes with respective counsel and the Defendant present.

Court reporter, Rick Gaio, is present.

The jury is present.

Voir dire examination continues.

2:42 p.m. The jury is excused while court remains in session.

The Court advises counsel that the jurors requesting to talk in private will be questioned individually prior to the recess.

- 2:45 p.m. Juror #20 is present outside the presence of the remaining jurors. Juror #20 addresses the Court and counsel regarding a previous voir dire question. Based thereon, the Court excuses juror #20 for cause.
  - 2:46 p.m. Juror #20 exits the courtroom.
- 2:47 p.m. Juror #16 is present outside the presence of the remaining jurors. Juror #16 addresses the Court and counsel regarding a previous voir dire question. Based thereon, the Court excuses juror #16 for cause.
  - 2:50 p.m. Juror #16 exits the courtroom.
- 2:51 p.m. Juror #1 is present outside the presence of the remaining jurors. Juror #1 addresses the Court and counsel regarding a previous voir dire question. Based thereon, the Court excuses juror #1 for cause.

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2:53 p.m. Juror #1 exits the courtroom.

2:54 p.m. Juror #7 is present outside the presence of the remaining jurors. Juror #7 addresses the Court and counsel regarding a previous voir dire question. Juror #7 is questioned further by the Court and Defendant's counsel.

3:08 p.m. Juror #7 is excused from the courtroom.

Counsel for the Defendant moves to strike juror #7 for cause. Court and counsel discuss the same. Based thereon, the Court is deferring ruling on juror #7 at this time.

3:10 p.m. Juror #19 is present outside the presence of the remaining jurors. Juror #19 addresses the Court and counsel regarding the lighting in the courtroom and the noise coming from the lights. Juror #19 is questioned further by the Court and Defendant's counsel.

3:16 p.m. Juror #19 is excused from the courtroom.

Defendant's counsel addresses the Court regarding juror #4 and requests that juror #4 be questioned further privately. Court and counsel briefly discuss the same.

Juror #19 is discussed. In that regard, the Court advises counsel that it is inclined to excuse juror #19 for hardship. Based upon Defendant's objection, juror 19 will not be excused at this time.

3:20 p.m. Court stands at recess.

3:36 p.m. Court reconvenes with respective counsel and the Defendant present.

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Juror #4 is present outside of the remaining jurors. The Court addresses juror #4 regarding his apparent difficulty understanding and hearing today's proceedings. Based upon the Court's questioning, juror #4 is excused for cause.

3:41 p.m. Juror #4 exits the courtroom.

The Court advises counsel that it is also striking juror #7 (for cause) and juror #19 (for hardship).

3:43 The remaining jury panel is now present.

The Court excuses juror #7 and juror #19.

Voir dire examination continues.

Let the record reflect Court and counsel conduct a bench conference outside of the jury's hearing. Counsel indicate that they pass the panel for cause.

- 4:14 p.m. The jury is excused while court remains in session.
- 4:15 p.m. Juror #29 is present outside the presence of the remaining jurors. Juror #29 addresses the Court and counsel regarding a previous voir dire question.
  - 4:20 p.m. The juror is excused from the courtroom.

The Court addresses counsel regarding the time required to make the peremptory strikes.

- 4:22 p.m. Court stands at recess.
- $4:26 \ \text{p.m.}$  Court reconvenes with respective counsel and the Defendant present.

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The jury is not present.

The Court advises counsel that juror #18 asked the bailiff whether or not this case was a death penalty case. regard, the Court inquires of counsel if they wish to make a further record on the issue. Counsel indicate that it is not necessary to make a further record.

4:27 p.m. Court stands at recess.

4:45 p.m. Court reconvenes with respective counsel and the Defendant present.

Court Reporter, Rick Gaio, is present.

The numbers of the trial jurors in this cause are read by the clerk.

FILED: Jury List

The jury is admonished as to their conduct as jurors in this cause.

4:55 p.m. Court stands at recess until 10:30 a.m. on 10/08/2002.